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- □ 11 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
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- An assignment executed by inventor to Hitachi, Ltd.
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